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# BROOKE'S PLEA

Opening Oration in Defense of the Young Napoleon of Wall Street.

Ives Hangs On the Words Which He Hopes May Save Him.

Informer Woodruff Held Up to Scorn and Contempt.

Ex-Gov. Hoadly and Col. Fellows Among the Crowd of Listeners.

Long before the hour for opening court, and while Recorder Smyth was enjoying his after-breakfast fuma in Chief Clerk Sparks's office and the genial, happy talk of the old official, there had gathered in Part III. of the Court of General Sessions an audience which filled the square chamber.

Every seat was occupied, and there were rows of men behind the seats and clusters of them standing on every open space in the room.

Every eye was centred upon the little group in the defendant's corner, for the people had rested their case and Henry S. Ives defendant, was to have his opportunity to show that he was innocent of the crime charged to him.

For days the nonchalance of Master Ives had been growing more and more unnatural as the Prosecutor presented item after item as the Prosecutor presented item after item of the story of the fraud which the railroad wrecker had attempted upon the bu mess world, and the prospect of many years in State prison had grown stronger and stronger. This morning there was a soberness about Master Ives which he made no effort to conceal. Scrupulously neat in his attire at all times, he was painfully correct when he appeared this morning. There was no creases of negligence in bis dress to-day. His hair was parted to a hair; his linen were immaculate; his necktie in keeping, and his cadaverous face, more cadaverous than ever, was cleanly shayon.

ous face, more cadaverous than ever, was cleanly shaven.

For the first day or two of the trial his counsel held long consultations with Master Ives, but as the damning evidence of his guilt was brought out there grew a coldness between the lawyers and the young rascal, and there was no cordiality in the greetings which they gave him in the morning, and when they had occasion to communicate with him curing the proceedings they did so as if with biring the proceedings they did so as if with

IVES'S LAWYERS SOLEMN.

But to-day the importance of the occasion made all the lawyers grave and solemn.

There was to be no fun for them in the gross-examinations which were to take place forming the next few days. It would not be Woodruff and Short and McGowan whose private affairs were to be centilated, but Master ives and those of his friends who were still willing to admit their friendship for him. THE DECORDER WOULDN'T DISMISS.

Mr. Brooke asked the Recorder to instruct the jury to acquit Master Ives, not on the ground that he had not done the things of which he was accused, but on the ground that he was not officially responsible in New York, but in Ohio, and because if he were responsible in New York, it was not in this city, but in Brooklyn, and another jurisdic-tion, that the crime was committed and Recorder Smyth had no right to try him. But the grave Recorder, having listened with manifest impatience to the long having of Charley Brooks, declined to be r any argument in opposition from the pug-

MR. DRI ORE ELCQUENT. And so Mr. Broose opesed the defense this morning with a characteristic speech, but he couldn't say whether Master Ives would testify in his own behalf or not,

## MONTHS IN THE SADDLE.

From New York City to Sacramento on Horseback.

PETECTAL TO THE EVENING WOLLS SACRAMENTO, Sept. 19:-E H. Platt and John Allen, of New York City, have completed their long horseback ride across the Conti-

They reached this city last night, four months and about four days from the time they left New York.

It was 6 o'clock on the morning of the 14th day of last May when Allen and Prof. Platt. or Capt. Dick Platt as he is generally known, lem to begin their long jaunt.

Mr. Atlen was the proprietor of the Hotel
Hamilton and took his ride in search of
bealth. oft William Dean's West End Stables in Har-

His companion was instructor at the West

End Riding School,
Capt. Platt, on his black herse, and Mr.
Allen, on a well-scasoned luckskin steed.
Streat Ferry were escorted to the Desbrosses Street Ferry by quite a party of friends. A hostler at the stables had sent his expression of a wish for good luck to the travellers by throwing an old boot after them as they rode off. The two equestrians took a very thorough outfit with them and calculated to travel by

easy stages, not over thirty miles per day. Their route was to take them through Columbus, Indianapolis, Hanover, Mo., Leav-nworth, Kan., Denver, Salt Lake City, the alkali desert of Utah and Carson City. They calculated to reach San Francisco in October, to be joined there by Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Platt, and then to go by steamoust

> A Coal-Laden Schooner Ashore. SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD, ]

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NARRAGANSETT PIER, R. 1. Sept. 10,-The schooner James Young, of Thomaston, Me .. from Perth Amboy to Beston, coal laden, ran ashore on Block Island at I o'clock a. M., on the west side of the island. The crew were recented by the Life-Swing Service. The vessel will probably be saved.

A Crowd Awaits the Wealthy Prisoner at Camden Depot.

Fresh Developments in Merchantville's Murder Mystery.

The Cruel Fate of a Pretty Girl Crying

Out for Justice On H r Slayer,

A crowd surrounded the jail in Camden, N. J., this morning. Chalkley Leconey, the fermer suspected of murdering his niece Annie a week ago last

Monday, was expected from Waverly, O., and the crowd wanted to see him. There was another throng at the Camden railroad depot, where he was expected to arrive with his brother James, in charge of

Police Marshal Donovan, of Waverly, While awaiting his arrival the Jerseyites discussed the tragedy and the evidence sgainst Leconey as far as it is known. Leconey arrived at 10 a. M. and was at once

placed in jail, A cell had been thoroughly cleaned and rather comfortably furnished for the prisoner

in the jail yesterday. A reporter remarked to Assistant Prosecutor Ridgway:

"You seem to think Leconey will remain here some time, seeing the trouble you are taking with his quarters."

"He may stay here longer than most people think now," was his non-committal

answer.

The police authorities await Leconey's trial with a degree of confidence that bodes ill for the prisoner.

They claim that the evidence against him is so strong that a miracle only will establish

bis innovence.

Detectives Warner and Gallagher, who deserve all the credit they can get for their good work in the case seem satisfied that Leconey is the right man, although they will

not talk about the murder or the suspect with reporters.

They visited Leconey's farm yesterday and overhauled Garrett Murray's room.

They found something, but what they would not tell. Whatever it was, they brought it in a carriage to District-Attorney Jenkins's office in the court-house, concealed in a value.

in a valise.

It is known that one article in the bag was an old hat of Garrett Murray's. The latter is locked up and grows sullen and discontented. "I am not the murderer, I am only a wit-

"I am not the murderer, I am only a witness. They should not keep me here like a rat in a trap," the negro says.

It is now alleged that when Richard Leconey died his brother Chalkley had not a cent, and that he would have been a bankrupt but for Richard's timely end.

He had a fortune of his own, it is said, but lost it all m a suit, which was begun against him by the Overseers of the Poor, fourteen years ago, on behalf of Sarah Stewart, who charged him with the paternity of a baby that had become a charge on the county.

He fought the suit gamely, but was convicted of being the father. He carried the case to a higher court with a similar verdiet.

His suit was again appealed on an error, and dragged along until 1890, when he was again found guilty of being the child's father.

He was ordered to pay \$50 to the woman, and contribute \$3 a week to the child's support, but he didn't, and carried the case to the Supreme Court, where it was to have come up this Fall.

This is stated as an evidence of the farm.

Come up this Fall. This is stated as an er's nerve and iron will.

The Camden County authorities will find it no easy matter to convict him of Annie Leconey's murder. Detective Aaron Burr, of Moorestown, denied yesterday that he was in any way

### related to Leconey, as was stated. OUTRAGE BY A JUSTICE.

A SIX-YEAR-OLD GETS A F FIEEN YEARS. SENTENCE IN CONNECTICUT.

Another story of heartless tyrangy exercised in the name of justice in Connecticut is exposed by The World this morning. It was the sentence of a six-year-old child to the Connecticut State Reform School for fifteen years. The details are as follows:

John W. Powell keeps a crockery and hardware store in South Norwalk, and is one of the rominent citizens which every country town has. He has a somein-law. Matthew Corbett. is a partner in a cirar store. Corbett has e boy, "Mattie" Corbett, five years old. who is a partner in a cigar sore.

A little boy. 'Mattie' Corbett, live years old.

John Locke, a sewer on shoes in Louisbury.

Matthews & Co. s shoe factory, has a little boy.

Charley Locke, six years old. These two infants
occasionally fought and then made up. On July

12 they had a little spat, and old man Powell

ran out of his store and took a hand.

Some one told Mr. Locke that Powell was
whipping his boy. Locke ran to the scene of
conflict. Powell denied that he had struck the
boy, and said that he had given him a shaking

up.

ony, and said that he had given him a shaking in.
Locke tried to have Powell arrested on a charge of assault, but no one in the town would issue a warrant, being triendly to Powell. Locke then went to Norwalk, a mile and a half away, and got a warrant from Justice Austin. Powell was tried, found guilty and lined \$3.
Powell and his friends got a warrant issued for the arrest of Luke's six-year-old boy.
The infant was taken before Justice Knapp, tried, found guilty of being incorricible and sentenced to the Reform School till he should be of age, a period of filten years.
His father appealed the case and the infant was released on \$75 ball, furnished by Grocer Frank Laughlin.

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A tidal wave of indignation arose at this terri-ble sentence on a mere child, and a number of meetings were held by the citizens of South Norwalk in which they gave yent to their rightcous indignation.

A letter was sent invoking The Woald's aid in defresting the wrong, and now that the exposite has been made Judge Knapp, it is said, will be forced to yield.

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be forced to yield.

The boy's sentence is acknowledged to be illegal, and it is safe to say he will not be sent to the Reform School. Ruttlesnakes by the Yard.

Thirty feet of rattlesnakes arrived here yester day from Hornellsville, in the western part of New York State. They came by the Eric Railroad and were taken to Worth's Museum. It only took five snakes to make up the 30 feet of rattlers, each being full 6 feet long. Hattle-snakes over 4 feet long are rare in captivity. All the live that the nun-cum have purchased are larger than any ever before captured.

Bail of the John A. Burns Association. The opening ball of the John A. Burns Asso visition will be held at Clarendon Hall. Monday evening, Oct. 7. Music by Prof. H. F. McDon aid's orchestra-

A Pain in the Side Often Comes from the Live , and is relieved by Canten's Liver Liver Films. "."

Chosen Committee of World's Fair.

It Is On Manhattan Island and Easy of Access.

A Small Portion of Upper Central Park Taken.

Morningside and Riverside Parks and the Bloomingdale Grounds Also.

Extraordinary Meeting of the Full Committee of Twenty-five at the City Hall.

A site for the World's Fair has been selected by the Committee appointed for this purpose. It is on Mauhattan Island.

The permanent buildings may be located on the plateau on the northwest corner of Central Park, near Eighth avenue at One Hundred and Tenth street.

The northernmost portion of Central Park above Ninety-sixth street will be used.

The lands north of the Park from One Hundred and Fifteenth street, from Fifth avenue to Morningside Park, will be also

Riverside Park, Morningside Park and he Bloomingdale and Leake & Watts properties form the remainder of the site.

It is also proposed to connect all of the parks, as in London. This would take Mount Morris Park, which would not be used for Fair purposes, however.

SELECTED BY THESE MEN

Mayor Grant and ex-Mayor Edward Cooper, State Engineer John Bogart, Congressman Roswell P. Flower, Prof. C. F. Chandler, ex-Park Commissioner John D. Crimmins, Commissioner Henry R. Towne, J. I. C. Clarke, Richard M. Hunt, George Warner and Editor John Foord, of the Site Committee, have devoted several days to the careful examination of the available ground within the city's limits, as to the practical advantages for the purposes of the Exhibition. and means of reaching it from all points, and they arrived at their conclusions to-day.

FOUR HUNDRED ACRES OF LAND. This site, exclusive of land covered by water comprises 400 acres easily accessible from east, west, north and south, and is ample for a World's Exposition on the largest scale.

That part of Central Park which will be used is located above Ninety-sixth street. It is fringed with trees and undergrowth, and includes the beautiful little Harlem Mere the meadow lying to the east of the lake and along Fifth avenue containing forty acres of fine sloping meadow land and the north hial Exhibition. meadow thirty acres of open land. The mere, covering twelve acres, may be drained if necessary. The "triangle" has fifteen acres.

Above the park are many blocks of unimproved lots, and from Madison to Fifth avenue and Ninety-sixth to One Hundred and Tenth street there are twenty acres of vacant land which might be used if the Committee thought it advisable at a later date.

This portion of Central Park to be used is now about as Nature made it, and it will not be necessary to destroy any of its natural beauty.

dred and Fifth street, extends along the bluff to One Hundred and Sixteenth street, and the Cathedral holdings adjoin this across Ninth avenue.

it and Morningside, is a belt of unoccupied land which might be utilized at comparatively small cost if needed. The belt contains at least thirty acres.

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World's Fair Site, Comprising the Upper End of Central Park, Morningside and Riverside Parks and the Bloomingdale and Leake & Watts Estates.

opposite the Cathedral property, between vale parties may be ceded to the city for the Tenth avenue and the Boulevard, and from purposes of and during the continuance of One Hundred and Sixteenth to One Hundred the Exposition, for they will be laid out in and Twentieth street, on Harlem Heights. streets and avenues, sewered and graded. ingdale grounds which is 170 to 180 feet above ground, one may obtain a remarkable and beautiful view of the teeming city below and lovely, broad avenued Harlem above.

IT CHARMED THE COMMITTEE. While the members of the Committee named above were viewing this proposed site for the Fair practical Roswell P. Flower was busy as a bee. He was completely captivated by the plot and plied his fellow-committeemen with questions and arguments.

"What would you do, as a business man the biggest crowds possible?"

over the broad and beautiful Boulevard to Riverside Park the party ascended to the cupola of the Claremont Hotel. From here their caze was delighted Below and to the west of the park flowed the broad

and beautifu! Hudson, beyond whose placid waters were the Palisades and unles of Jersey's wooded shores, reaching out as far as the eye could see to the north and south, and to the east on either hand was a most maginficent view of the city.

glance so grand a notion of the wonders of our situation, the marvels of the metropolis?

Riverside Park, extending along the river for two miles, offered just the facilities for water communication, so much to be desired in a site for the great Quadri-Centen-

Ferries may be established at Eighty-sixth, Ninety-second, One Hundred and Twentyfifth streets to land passengers within the Fair grounds from the depots of the West Shore, Erie, Pennsylvania, Baltimore and Ohio Jersey Central and other railroads baving their New York stations on the New Jersey side of the Hudson, and bulkheads and docks may be erected for the use of transportation companies from everywhere. The Hudson River boats would have landings here, and the domestic steamer companies would be accommodated, too.

The parkway, for the construction of which money has already been appropriated, will connect the various sections of this site, and the site will be accessible by way of the cable and elevated roads and also by a dozen street radway lines.

New York City, but is on Manhattan Island, so that all visitors to the Fair will be guests of the city, will visit the business portions of the city, and must of necessity go away with a much improved knowledge of the beauties and resources of the greatest city of the Western World

Such portions of this site as belong to pri-

water mains laid at the expense of the Fair management, but to endure forever at no cost to the owners of the now unumproved

CHAIRMAN FLOWER ENTHUSIASTIC. Roswell P. Flower, Chairman of the Committee on Site for the World's Fair, was seen at his office this morning by an Evening World reporter.

land.

When asked about the site chosen Mr. Flower waxed enthusiastic.

"Look here," he said, drawing out a small map of that part of the city lying above Oue Hundredth street.

"This end of the Park," and he pointed to the extreme northern section of Central Park bounded by One Hundred and Tenth street, ' is not improved, and it wouldn't burt it a bit to have the buildings there. But better still, these three or four blocks lying north of One Hundred and Tenth street could be condemned by the city and made an addition to the Park.

They are going to broaden One Hundred and Teuth street and make it 120 feet wide. Room enough for crowds to get through to Morningside and Riverside parks.

'The spot eligible could be so accessible. for the N. Y. and N. H. RR. and the New Jersey roads could land their people right across from Riverside Park. "That whole section has been already

macadamized, sewerage put down, gas, water and everything. Along Morningside Park there would be dozens of cates that command a splendid view and would enjoy the purest

People can get there for 10 cents. Why, they can almost walk. All the newspaper men, and I think something of a newspaper man's opinion, voted yesterday for this site when I took the vote.

AN EXTRAORDINARY SUMMONS. The meeting of the full Committee on Sites was originally called for 3, 30 this afternoon at the Mayor's Office.

After the decision upon a site by the Com-

mittee on Inspection it was resolved to expedite the final settlement of the question. Summonses were sent out to each of the twenty-five members of the Committee and they were urged to be in the Governors' Room at the City Hall at 1.30 P. M

### FROST IN SEVERAL STATES.

There were light frosts again last night throughout Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan, Nebraska, Missouri and Northern Kansas. The ditions were not favorable for frost around New York, and none came.

A heavy gale is whistling along the New England coast this morning and moving out to see. A heavy rain is falling in all the New England States and in the northwestern part of New York State.

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Terrible Atrockty Perpetrated by a Drunken Father.

A human brute is locked up in the Yorkville prison. His name is Owen Hefferan. He is a hod-carrier by trade and lives with and Julia, aged eleven months, in two small rooms on the third floor of the double-decked

While drunk yesterday he tore the clothing from Mary Jane's frail little body, and poured a kettle of boiling water over her head.

The steaming water rippled over her shoulders, breast, back, neck and arms, scalding every inch it touched until the skin peeled

They found the brutal father standing in middle of the room, the empty kettle in

He was watching his daughter as she lay

The scene was too horrible to contemplate Hefferan broke his leg while at work on a building in Wall street a few months ago. Since then he has spent his time at home

Mrs. Hefferan received some money that was coming to her, yesterday morning. Husband and wife at once began to spend

for beer. Between 10 a. m. and 3 p. m., sixteen pails

water. She was sent to Bellevue and may recover. although her condition was serious this

The man was held to await the result of the

girl's injuries.

The woman was sent to the island for six mouths as an habitum drunkard. The baby, which is nursing accompanied her.

The little boy was taken in charge by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, so the miserable family are pretty well scattered now.

Boston Races Postponed. (SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD, ]

Boston, Sept. 19, ()wing to the storm the running races at Franklin Park are postbones until to-morrow. Entries to stand.

No use, Mr. Oldfogy, your day ended when A cyclone was moving off the Southern Florida Druge's Brat Cloasette came to town. Reast castward, and heavy rains are falling in
a wake.

2 O'CLOCK.

Banker Strauss Disappears After His Half-Million Failure.

the Subject. Mining Investments Said to Have Caused

the Crash.

Assignee Storrs Non-Committel on

The announcement this morning that Banker Louis Struss had failed for half a million dollars threw business circles into a high state of excitement.

Mr. Strauss assigned individually to Charles B. Storr, a lawyer, having an office at 120 Mr. Strauss started in business in January,

883. Some months later Franklin B. Toney became a partner, and the firm made money by importing dextrine and glycerine. Lately the firm has been doing a banking

Lately the firm has been doing a banking business. In 1888 Mr. Straus made a fortune in a copper mining venture. In January last W. T. Fisher and James McLachiam were admitted to the firm and a branch house war opened in Philadelphia. Then Mr. Strau reported that he was worth \$508,000, less \$100,600 that he had given to his wife.

The assignment is said to have been made because of heavy investments in mining securities, which were not immediately available.

available.

It is now rumored that Mr. Straus has left town. He has not been seen since Tuesday night, and no one knows where he is.

An Evening World reporter saw Assignee Storrs at 15 William street, the office of the firm of Straus & Co.

"Where is Mr. Straus?" asked the reporter.

"I do not know," replied Mr. Straus.

"Does anyone know?" again asked the reporter.

"Yes."

"Who is it?"

"I will not say." available.

"I will not say."
Do you think that he has skipped to other parts?" No answer. No answer.

"Is there any reason for his hiding away?"

"These are questions which do not concern any one at present. All I can say is that he has not been down to his office to-day. I shall endeavor to clear things up as soon as

At Mr. Straus's house, 8 West Seventy-second street, the reporter's ring was an-swered by a pretty servant girl. "Is Mr. Straus at home?" asked the re-

"Is Mr. Straus at home?" asked the reporter.

"No, sir, he is not," she replied.
"Do you know where he is?"
"No, sir."
"When do you expect to hear from him?"
"I don't know."
"Are any of the family at home?"
"No, there is no one home but me," she replied smilingly, and then closed the door.

## 10,000 DROWNED. An Appalling Loss of Life by the Floods

in Japan.

[SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.] SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19. - Later news has been brought by the steamship Gaelic of the errible floods and consequent loss come in certain districts of Japan in August. The estimated loss of life in the city of Wakayamo and in the districts of Minami-Muro, Higashi-Muro, Nishi-Muro and Hidaka

is 10,000, and the number of persons receiving relief is 20, 424. The River Kinokuni swelled from thirteen to eighteen feet above its normal level and

to eighteen feet above its normal level and the embankments and the village of Iwabashi was washed away. Immediately the village and about forty-eight other hamlets were covered by the raging waters.

On the morning of Aug. 19 an enormous mass of earth fell from the mountain near the village of Tennokawa, and stooped the course of the river of the same name, which, being already swollen greatly, submerged the village and drowned nearly all the inhabi-

tants.

A number of the villagers belonging to Tsujido took refuge in their temple, which was on high ground, but when the landslide occurred about fifty persons were buried

SAILORS WOULDN'T STAND ABUSE. so They Left the Schooner Ida Latham in a

Bedy at Bridgeport. [SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD,] BRIDGEPOUT, Conn., Sept. 19.-The threemasted schooner Ida Latham, from Norfolk, Va., had to ship a new crew at this port this morning, her old crew of five Portuguese sailors having left her yesterday.

The men said the captain had abused them, and they exhibited wounds where they had

been struck.
But one of the five could speak English, and
consequently they were slow to understand the
captain's orders.
Their inability to immediately execute his
commands so engaged the captain that he frequently knocked them down with anything he

could grasp.

The men mutinied and came ashore here. The osptain refused to pay their wages at first, but the sailors threatened legal proceedings, which frightened him into paying. The sailors then bought new clothing and started by train for New Bedford, Mass., where they have friends,

A Day of Fatalities in Scranton.

SCHANTON, Pa., Sept. 10.- Michael Goughan, a cupela man at the steel mills, was instantly killed by a piece of coal falling from a bucket on his head.
Patrick Loftns, a miner at the Pancoast colling, was raught between a car and the side of the gangway and crushed to death.
Patrick Keegan, messenger at the Lackawanna depot, was run over by an engine and his insures resulted in his death.
Three fatalities within a few hours pesterday.

ROCHESTER LAMPS in 1800 variation. 1201 Broad-

AN UNIMPROVED SLICE OF THE PARK.

Morningside Park, beginning at One Hun-To the north of Central Park, and between

The Bloomingdale Asylum property lies

tide-water, and from it, standing on the

if you were going to run this Fair as a personal business venture and wanted to draw But the victory was not won till crossing

How else could the visitors be given in one

A FINE WATER FRONT.

This site is not only within the limits of

Bridget, his wife, and their three children, Mary Jane, aged thirteen : John. aged seven,

tenement 427 East Ninoteenth street

off like cloth from a cheese. The child's screams of agony brought the neighbors hurrying into the room.

writhing in agony on the floor.

drinking.

His employer generously paid him his wages every week just as if he was working, so he was in no hurry to resume his abors.

Between 10 A. M. and 3 P. M., sixteen palls of ale were brought into the house and swallowed by the man and woman.

They quarrelled in the afternoon and Hefferan knocked his wife down and beat ber, although she had the baby in her arms.

Mary Jane tried te save the wretched mother, who enoon the father turned on her and saturated the little one with the boiling water.

moru ng.

Her lather and mother were arrested and arraigned in the Yorkville Police Court this